

In response to the Office Action of January 5, 2004 please amend the subject application as follows:

AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A computer-network-aided method for interconnecting multiple sections of an organization, the organization having multiple layers, the method comprising the steps of:

providing an organization-wide intranet;

creating an electronic data table, the data table containing at least one objective of the organization, at least one goal of the organization, and priority levels for the at least one objective;

providing means for analyzing the at least one objective via the intranet;

providing means for organizing the at least one objective via the intranet;

creating at least one team project based on the at least one objective via the intranet;

connecting the at least one team project to the at least one objective, via the intranet, such that when the at least one objective is altered, the at least one team project is automatically updated to reflect the alteration to the at least one objective;

assigning at least one task based on the at least one team project;

connecting the at least one task to the at least one team project, via the intranet, such that when the at least one team project is altered, the at least one task is automatically updated to reflect the alteration to the at least one team project;

assigning priority levels to the at least one objective, the at least one team project, and the at least one task;

allowing an associated employee, with access to the data table, to access and edit, via the intranet, the at least one team project; and,

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providing means for comparing the at least one objective, the at least one team project, and the at least one task.

2. (Currently Amended) A computer-network-aided method for organizing a business entity, the method comprising the steps of:

creating a first informational database, the first informational database containing at least one business objective of the business entity;

creating a second informational database, the second informational database containing at least one project based on the at least one business objective;

allowing open access to and between the first and second informational databases, via a computer network; and,

connecting the second informational database to the first informational database, via the computer network, such that when the at least one objective is altered, the at least one project is automatically updated to reflect the alteration to the at least one objective.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, wherein the method further comprises the step of:

editing at least one of the informational databases via the computer network.

4. (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein creating a second informational database, the second informational database containing at least one project based on the at least one business objective comprises the steps of:

creating a second informational database; and,

creating at least one project based on the at least one objective.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 4, wherein the method further comprises the steps of:

determining organizational priorities;

assigning a priority value to the at least one objective via the computer network; and,
assigning a priority value to the at least one project via the computer network.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 5, wherein the computer network is a global computer network, and the method further comprises the steps of:

creating a third informational database;
creating at least one task based on the at least one project;
allowing open access to and between the first, second, and third informational databases,
via the global computer network; and,
connecting the at least one task to the at least one project, via the global computer network, such that when the at least one project is altered, the at least one task is automatically updated, via the global computer network, to reflect the alteration to the at least one project.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, wherein the method further comprises the step of :

allowing limited access to the first and second informational databases, via the computer network.

8. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the method further comprises the step of:

allowing limited access between the first, second, and third informational databases.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8, wherein the method further comprises the step of:

providing security measures, via the global computer network, for limiting access to the informational databases.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the method further comprises the steps of:

editing at least one of the informational databases; and,
updating at least one of the informational databases.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein the method further comprises the steps of:

developing critical measures associated with the first informational database;
developing evaluation criteria and deliverables for the second informational database;
and,
developing basic roles for the third informational database.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, wherein the method further comprises the step of:

accessing at least one of the informational databases via a global computer network.

13. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein the method further comprises the step of:

accessing at least one of the informational databases from a remote location.

Claims 14-23 (Cancelled)

24. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium containing instructions for controlling a computer system to perform a method via a computer network, the method comprising the steps of:

creating a first informational database on the computer network, the first informational database containing at least one business objective of the business entity;

creating a second informational database on the computer network, the second informational database containing at least one project based on the at least one business objective;

allowing open access to and between the first and second informational databases, via the computer network; and,

connecting the second informational database to the first informational database, via the computer network, such that when the at least one objective is altered, the at least one project is automatically updated to reflect the alteration to the at least one objective.

25. (Currently Amended) The computer readable medium of claim 24, wherein the method further comprises the step of:

editing at least one of the informational databases, via the computer network.

26. (Currently Amended) The computer readable medium of claim 25, wherein creating a second informational database on the computer network, the second informational database containing at least one project based on the at least one business objective comprises the steps of:

creating a second informational database; and,

creating at least one project based on the at least one objective.

27. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 26, wherein the method further comprises the steps of:

determining organizational priorities;

assigning a priority value to the at least one objective; and,

assigning a priority value to the at least one project.

28. (Currently Amended) The computer readable medium of claim 27, wherein the method further comprises the steps of:

creating a third informational database on the computer network, wherein the computer network is a global computer network;

creating at least one task based on the at least one project;

allowing open access to and between the first, second, and third informational databases, via the global computer network; and,

connecting the at least one task to the at least one project, via the global computer network, such that when the at least one project is altered, the at least one task is automatically updated to reflect the alteration to the at least one project.

29. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 24, wherein the method further comprises the step of:

allowing limited access to the first and second informational databases.

30. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 28, wherein the method further comprises the step of:

allowing limited access between the first, second, and third informational databases.

31. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 30, wherein the method further comprises the step of:

providing security measures for limiting access to the informational databases.

32. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 31, wherein the method further comprises the steps of:

editing at least one of the informational databases; and,

updating at least one of the informational databases.

33. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 32, wherein the method further comprises the steps of:

developing critical measures associated with the first informational database;
developing evaluation criteria and deliverables for the second informational database;
and,
developing basic roles for the third informational database.